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Update of the ACMC Near Term Motorcycle Safety Efforts:

Beta Test Motorcycle Club-like Facility at MCB, CamLej

Background

- Sept 2009, CMC(SD) attended a motorcycle safety update meeting with General Amos in which the ACMC came up with three "Near Term" efforts that he would like to see.
- As a result CG MCIEAST received the following:
  - Conduct a Beta test to provide a location on base that allows unit motorcycle mentorship organizations (clubs) to meet, work on their motorcycles (tools, lifts, etc), view motorcycle training video's, conduct training classes, and potentially display PPE.
  - Location should be run by someone very knowledgeable in motorcycle maintenance and operations.

Action

- An Operational Planning Team (OPT) met on 9 Nov 2009, to discuss how to execute and accomplish the tasker.
- Attendees hailed from CMC(SD); II MEF Safety; MCIEAST Safety; MCCS Management, Retail, Safety, and Auto Hobby Shop; and Strategic Action Solutions (producer of Semper Ride).

OPT Discussion Points

- What is currently available at the MCB, CamLej Auto Hobby Shop (AHS):
  - Three Certified motorcycle mechanics on staff
  - One bay with lift dedicated for motorcycles
  - Motorcycle-specific tools
  - Motorcycle fluids in stock
- Current motorcycle throughput is only 1-2 per day

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OPT Discussion Points

- The AHS is now offering quarterly and command-specific Basic Motorcycle Maintenance Classes
- The Basic Maintenance Class covers:
  - engine oil and filter, air filter, spark plugs, final drive, brakes, clutch, cooling system, throttle, suspension, tires, etc.
  - A store is located within the AHS to purchase common items, e.g., filters, fluids, wires, fuses, etc.

MCB, CamLej Exchange

- The team toured the MCCS Exchange Annex to view the motorcycle PPE that is available.
  - MCB CamLej Exchange now has an impressive display of helmets, jackets, boots and associated apparel.
  - "Cycle Gear" is the prime vendor and provider of goods.
  - A kiosk is scheduled to be installed in this area where motorcyclists can order goods that are not in stock.

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Future Club “Meeting Place”

- The OPT toured the new Ground safety for Marines Classroom (trailer) behind Bldg 58, Safety Division, as a feasible solution for a club meeting place.
  - With white walls, white floor, and fluorescent overhead lights, the 25'x'60' classroom could easily be transformed into a lounge-like facility (easily re-converted back to classroom).
  - The classroom is located adjacent to the a MSF Range, currently under construction.

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MCIEAST Short Term Goals

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- Dedicate 1-2 additional bays at the AHS for motorcycles; purchase/install additional motorcycle lifts; purchase motorcycle-specific tools.
- Transform the classroom behind Bldg 58 into a club-like facility.
  - Install carpet, paint walls, furnish with couches, chairs, incandescent lamps, large TV and sound system.
  - Allow simple maintenance (air pressure, suspension adjustment, clutch & throttle adjustment) at the club-like facility.
  - Refer all “more involved” maintenance to the AHS.

Long Term Goal

- After a review of the usage, possibly construct a new stand alone facility that allows unit motorcycle mentorship organizations (clubs) to meet, work on their motorcycles (tools, lifts, etc), view motorcycle training video's, and potentially display PPE.
- Staff this facility with knowledgeable motorcycle maintenance and operations personnel.

Questions